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In re Application of

Nobuki HASHIGUCHI

Patent Art Unit: 2857

Serial No.: 10/018,346

Examiner: Paul L. KIM

Filed: December 19, 2001

For:

PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND SYSTEM FOR CHECKING

OPERATING CONDITIONS OF PRODUCT PROCESSING APPARATUSES

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

No additional fee is required. [X]

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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| CLAIMS | | | | |
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| TOTAL 14 | - 20 = | 0 | x09 = \$ | x18 = \$ |
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| [] 1ST PRESENTATION OF MULT. DEP. CLAIM | | | +145 = \$ | +290 = \$ |
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- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1836. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
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 - [X] Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In addition to the Amendment filed on December 3, 2003, which was in response to the August 5, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the <u>Listing of Claims</u>, which begins on page two (2) of this paper. Claims 1-4, 6-15 are pending, with claims 1, 6, and 11 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page six (6) of this paper.

